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PATENT APPLICATION

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1756**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yasuo MATSUMURA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1756

Application No.: 10/658,811

Examiner: C. RODEE

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Docket No.: 117092

For: TONER FOR DEVELOPING ELECTROSTATIC IMAGES CONTAINING
SPECIFIED BINDER RESIN, PROCESS FOR PREPARING THE SAME,
DEVELOPER FOR DEVELOPING ELECTROSTATIC IMAGES, AND IMAGE
FORMING METHOD

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the December 1, 2005 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application, claims 18-20 having been withdrawn from consideration.

I. Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102

A. Tsubuko

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 2, 4-7, 14 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003-0099894 to Tsubuko et al. considered with W.A. Lee & R.A. Rutherford, The Glass Transition Temperatures of Polymers, in Polymer Handbook,